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FOR: OPTICAL PATH STRUCTURE FOR OPEN PATH EMISSION SENSING

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- Declaration & Power of Attorney
- Continuation-in-Part: Priority Claimed from US Utility Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.
- Certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 sheets of drawings
- An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_, and the assignment recordation fee
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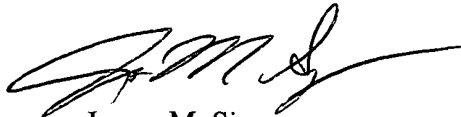
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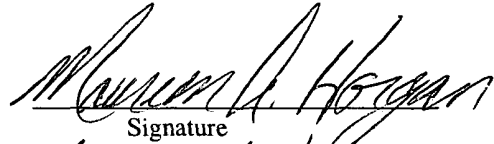
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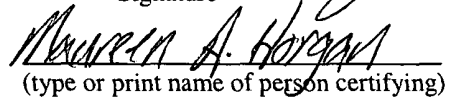
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